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Shuster Announces Homeland Security Funding for First Responders in Somerset County

Washington, D.C. –**Congressman Bill Shuster** is pleased to announce that the Department of Homeland Security has awarded the Somerset Borough Police Department equipment through the Commercial Equipment Direct Assistance Program, or CEDAP.

The Somerset Borough Police Department will receive an XOA Series Portable Video Surveillance unit.

“The CEDAP program is a great way for small and rural communities to acquire technology and training that would otherwise be out of their reach,” Shuster said. “This allows them to keep up-to-date in the ever-changing world of technology and the fast pace environment of domestic security.”

CEDAP provides resources such as communications interoperability equipment, information sharing technology, chemical detection devices, sensors, personal protective equipment, and rescue tools and training in how to use the equipment, devices, and technology. For FY 2007, the Department of Homeland Security will distribute \$33.7 million in direct CEDAP funding to first responders nation wide.

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